

2001

Montana Office of Public Instruction

# **Montana Youth Risk Behavior Survey**



**Summary Report**



***MONTANA YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY CO-SPONSORS:***

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**Montana Office of Public Instruction**

**Montana Board of Crime Control**

**Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services**

**Indian Health Service**

**Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies**

**Montana Department of Transportation**

**Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana**

**Montana Communities in Action**

**Division of Adolescent and School Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

This report complements the 2001 MONTANA YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY REPORT and contains information regarding risk behaviors of Montana youth in relation to:

- intentional and unintentional injuries;
- tobacco use;
- alcohol and other drug use;
- sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases and unintended pregnancies;
- nutrition and dietary behavior; and
- physical activity.

The 2001 Montana Youth Risk Behavior Survey was conducted in the spring of 2001. The survey was administered to 17,326 students with report results based on a random sample of 2,755 students. The data can be generalized to all high school students in Montana. The Office of Public Instruction acknowledges and appreciates the commitment, cooperation and support of the participating schools and their students.

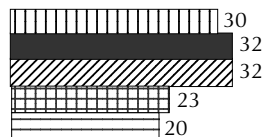
# SUMMARY MONTANA YRBS FINDINGS

## MONTANA OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

### Unintentional Injuries and Violence

#### Percentage of students who:

Rarely or never wore a seatbelt when riding in a car



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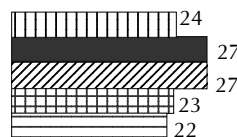
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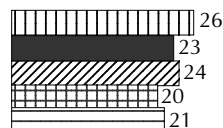
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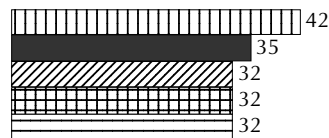
Drove a vehicle while they had been drinking alcohol during the past 30 days



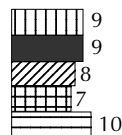
Carried a weapon during the past 30 days



Were in a physical fight during the past 12 months



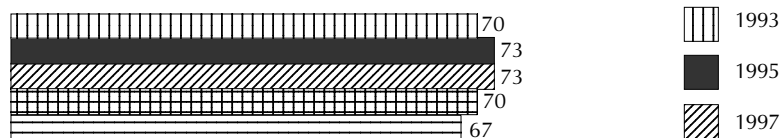
Attempted suicide during the past 12 months



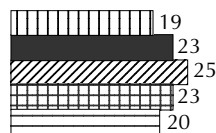
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# ***Tobacco, Alcohol and Other Drug Use*** ***Percentage of students who:***

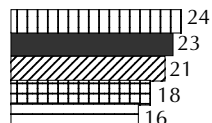
Ever tried cigarette smoking



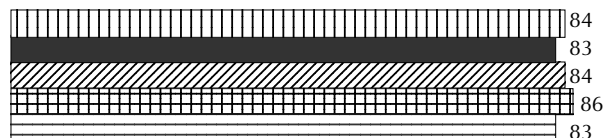
Smoked 2 or more cigarettes per day, on the days they smoked, during the past 30 days



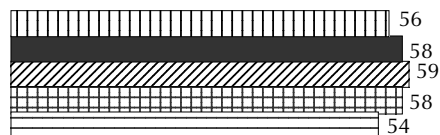
Used chewing tobacco or snuff during the past 30 days



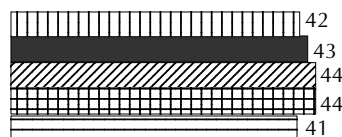
Ever drank alcohol



Had at least one drink of alcohol during the past 30 days



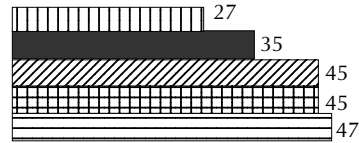
Had 5 or more drinks within a couple of hours, at least once, in the past 30 days



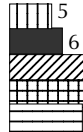
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## Percentage of students who:

Ever used marijuana

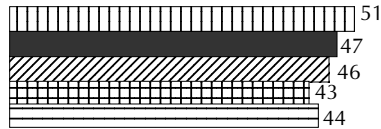


Ever used cocaine

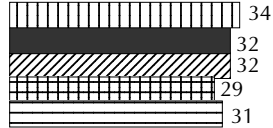


## Sexual Behaviors

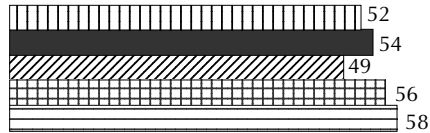
Ever had sexual intercourse



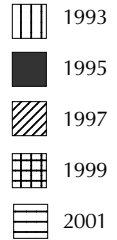
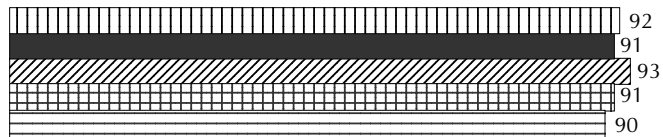
Had sexual intercourse in the past 3 months



Used a condom during last sexual intercourse\*



Been taught about AIDS in school



\*Of students who had sexual intercourse during the past three months.

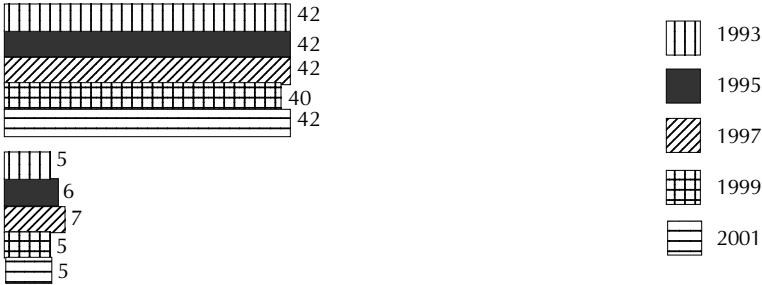
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**Percentage of students who:**

**Nutrition and Dietary Behaviors**

Were trying to lose weight

Vomited or took laxatives to lose weight during the past 30 days

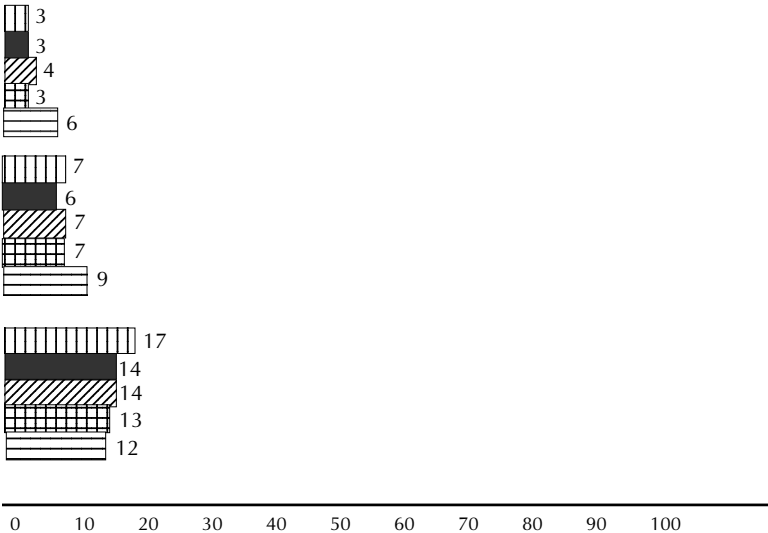


**RELATED TO SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Did not go to school on one or more of the past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school

Had been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property during the past 12 months

Were in a physical fight on school property during the past 12 months





**Percentage of students who:**

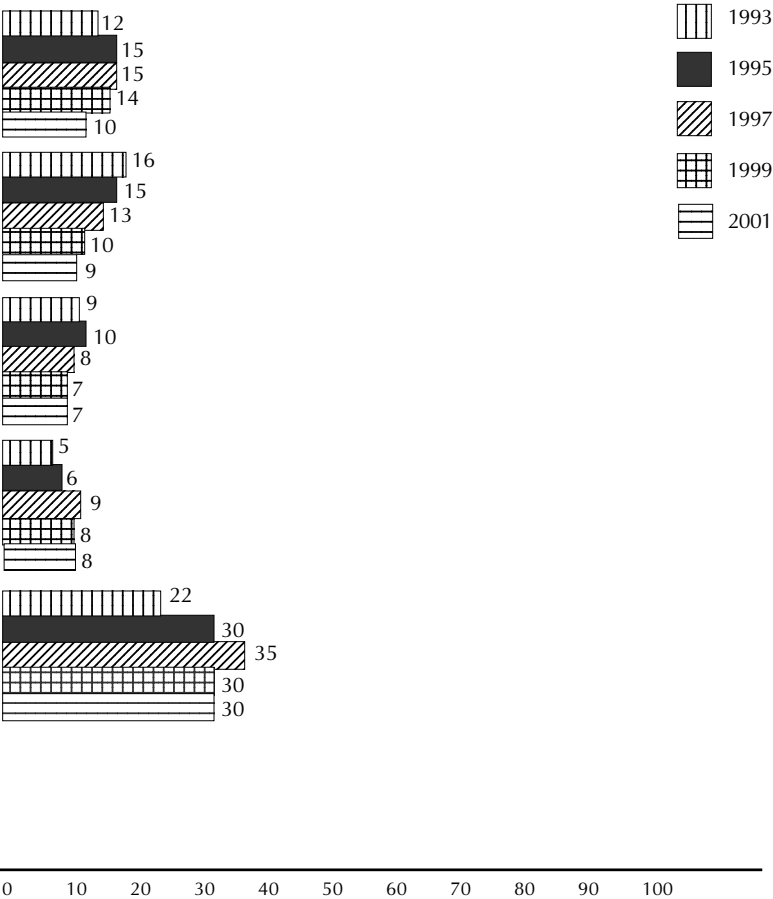
Smoked cigarettes on school property during the past 30 days

Used chewing tobacco or snuff on school property during the past 30 days

Had at least one drink of alcohol on school property during the past 30 days

Used marijuana on school property during the past 30 days

Had someone offer, sell, or give them an illegal drug on school property during the past 12 months



## GRADE LEVEL TABLES

### *UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES AND VIOLENCE*

	GRADES 9-12	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Rarely or never wore a seatbelt when riding in a car	20%	22%	17%	18%	21%
Drove a vehicle while they had been drinking alcohol during the past 30 days	22%	10%	17%	27%	34%
Carried a weapon during the past 30 days	21%	21%	24%	20%	19%
Were in a physical fight during the past 12 months	32%	36%	32%	28%	29%
Attempted suicide during the past 12 months	10%	15%	11%	8%	7%

## ***TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG USE***

	GRADES 9-12	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Ever tried cigarette smoking	67%	61%	65%	67%	73%
Smoked 2 or more cigarettes per day, on the days they smoked, during the past 30 days	20%	18%	18%	19%	28%
Used chewing tobacco or snuff during the past 30 days	16%	13%	14%	17%	18%
Ever drank alcohol	83%	78%	80%	85%	89%
Had at least one drink of alcohol during the past 30 days	54%	47%	51%	57%	62%
Had 5 or more drinks within a couple of hours, at least once, in the past 30 days	41%	33%	39%	46%	49%
Ever used marijuana	47%	40%	42%	50%	57%
Ever used cocaine	9%	10%	6%	10%	12%

## ***SEXUAL BEHAVIORS***

	GRADES 9-12	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Ever had sexual intercourse	44%	32%	39%	46%	62%
Had sexual intercourse in the past 3 months	31%	20%	25%	34%	45%
Used a condom during last sexual intercourse	58%	68%	58%	60%	51%
Been taught about AIDS in school	90%	88%	92%	92%	91%

## ***NUTRITION AND DIETARY BEHAVIORS***

Were trying to lose weight	42%	43%	43%	40%	42%
Vomited or took laxatives to lose weight during the past 30 days	5%	9%	5%	3%	4%

### ***RELATED TO SCHOOL PROPERTY***

	GRADES 9-12	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Did not go to school on one or more of the past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school	6%	6%	6%	4%	5%
Had been threatened or injured with a weapon on school property during the past 12 months	9%	12%	9%	6%	6%
Were in a physical fight on school property during the past 12 months	12%	18%	12%	9%	9%
Smoked cigarettes on school property during the past 30 days	10%	13%	9%	9%	11%
Used chewing tobacco or snuff on school property during the past 30 days	9%	7%	8%	11%	11%

***RELATED TO SCHOOL PROPERTY (CONT.)***

	GRADES 9-12	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Had at least one drink of alcohol on property during the past 30 days	7%	7%	7%	6%	8%
Used marijuana on school property during the past 30 days	8%	11%	6%	7%	7%
Had someone offer, sell, or give them an illegal drug on school property during the past 12 months	30%	32%	29%	29%	29%

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